



## Abraham's Embarkation

Genesis 11:31-12:8a (ESV)

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**Theme Scripture: Genesis 11:31-12:1 (ESV)**

### Introduction

Everyone has a starting point from which they embark upon their faith journey. Today, as we look at the embarkation point of Abraham's faith—who is known as the Father of Faith—let's consider what our faith should be like.

#### 1) The start of a walk of faith

- Abram's father served other gods (Joshua 24:2).
- God's first words (Genesis 15:7, Nehemiah 9:7, Acts 7:2).
- Not knowing where he was going (Hebrews 11:8).
- Imperfect obedience (Genesis 12:1)

#### 2) The content of God's promises (Genesis 12:2-3)

- Receiving words from God is a personal experience
- Promise of blessing to Abraham
  - (1) Will be made a great nation
  - (2) Name will be made great
  - (3) All the families of the earth will be blessed through Abraham

#### 3) Second embarkation

- Step-by-step faith (Genesis 12:4-6)
- The oak tree of Moreh (Genesis 12:6, Deuteronomy 11:29-30)
- God's promise revealed in a bit more detail (Genesis 12:7)
- Building an altar to the Lord (Genesis 12:7, Matthew 6:33)

### Conclusion

When Abram began his walk of faith, he was not a perfect follower. But when the opportunity was placed before him, he took the next step. When we follow God step-by-step in this way, his promises are fulfilled. Abraham built an altar and worshiped the Lord who spoke to him. We also should step out in faith in the same way.



Bible verses for this week

Genesis 11:31-12:8

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